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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

AGENDA: FEBRUARY 6, 2007

COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

February 1, 2007

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SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

701 Ocean Street

Santa Cruz, California 95060

SUBJECT:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 50 GRANT FUNDING

FOR NORTHERN SANTA CRUZ COUNTY WATER-RELATED PROJECTS

Members of the Board:

Since June 2002, Public Works and Environmental Health, under your direction, have been working toward securing funding for various water-related projects under the Proposition 50 Water Bond. The County partnered with other local agencies to develop a regional list of priority projects and prepared an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP) for Northern Santa Cruz County. Your Board authorized staff to submit as number of specific applications to receive grant funding (see attached exhibit). There were two steps in the application process. The County and its partner agencies were invited to apply for a step 2 grant application in the amount of \$25 million following a good rating for the step 1 application.

However, in the draft recommendations of November 2006, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) and Department of Water Resources staff did not recommend funding any of the Northern Santa Cruz County IRWMP projects. Following the public comment period, SWRCB staff has reconsidered the total amount of funding for step II applications and is recommending to its Board to provide additional funding statewide, including \$12.5 million for the Northern Santa Cruz County IRWMP projects. We were just recently advised by our grant consultant, Kestrel Consulting, that the State Board's public comment period expires on February 8, 2007, and that the additional funding item will be heard in front of the state Board on February 20, 2007.

Once the state Board approves recommendations for the additional funding, County staff will need to work with the other county partner agencies and our consultant to restructure the grant application and revise the list of projects to reflect the allowed \$12.5 million grant, and we will return to your Board with more details on the additional work needed.

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Since the additional Proposition 50 funding is still under consideration, it is recommended that your Board express the County's support for the state's staff recommendation for the additional funding as well as our commitment to implement the much needed water projects at this time.

It is therefore recommended that the Board of Supervisors adopt the attached resolution supporting the State Water Resources Control Board's staff recommendations to provide \$12.5 million grant funding for the Northern Santa Cruz County region for various water-related projects.

Yours truly,

THOMAS L. BOLICH
Director of Public Works

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Director, Health Services Agency

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Attachments

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:

County Administrative Officer

Copy to:

Rama Khalsa, Santa Cruz County Health Services Agency

Kestrel Consulting Planning Department

John Ricker, Environmental Health

Barry Samuel, County Parks, Open Space and Cultural Services

Laura Brown, Soquel Creek Water District Charles McNiesh, Scotts Valley Water District Karen Christenson, Resource Conservation District

Santa Cruz County Sanitation District Davenport County Sanitation District

Bill Kocher, City of Santa Cruz David Koch, City of Watsonville

Christina Cuevas, Community Foundation of Santa Cruz

Water Quality Control Board

\$25 Million Proposal Regional Distribution It will be up to the local region to reduce this to \$12.5 million

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3	Feasibility Study for Enhanced Aquifer Recharge	549,400		865,400
4	Regionwide Master Drainage Plan	549,400	94,600	644,000
5	Santa Cruz County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program	549,400	303,000	852,400
6	Groundwater Recharge Projects and Policies	\$779,400	\$148,000	\$927,400
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9	Polo Grounds Well, Treatment Plant, Pipelines, and Water Conservation Project	4,224,990	1,577,500	5,802,490
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10	Aromas and Purisima Formations	394,400	535,800	930,200
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BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 40-2007

On the motion of Supervisor Pirie duly seconded by Supervisor Campos the following resolution is adopted:

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD'S STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS TO PROVIDE \$12.5 MILLION GRANT FUNDING FOR THE NORTHERN SANTA CRUZ COUNTY REGION

WHEREAS, the County of Santa Cruz and partner agencies have invested considerable efforts toward preparing the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP) for Northern Santa Cruz County and toward applying for the Proposition 50 grant funding for implementation of high priority projects identified in the IRWMP; and

WHEREAS, the needed projects cannot be implemented in the foreseeable future without Proposition 50 funds or other funding assistance; and

WHEREAS, significant local funds have already been allocated by the County and the partner agencies for the local match; and

WHEREAS, it is critical that the identified projects be implemented to achieve the water quality and water supply goals; and

WHEREAS, delay in the construction will face escalation in cost and diminish the amount of work that can be achieved.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz supports the State Water Resources Control Board Staff's recommendations to provide \$12.5 million grant funding for the Northern Santa Cruz County region.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this 6th day of February, 2007, by the following vote:

AYES:

SUPERVISORS

Pirie, Coonerty, Campos, Stone and Beautz

NOES:

SUPERVISORS

None

ABSENT:

SUPERVISORS

None

HANET K. BEAUTZ

Chairperson of said Board

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Clerk of said Board

Approved as to form:

Office of County Counsel

Distribution:

County Counsel

Public Works

STATE OF CALIFORNIA) SS

MAURIELLO, County Administrative Militar and exofficio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz, State of California do hereby certify that the foregoing is and adopted by and entered in the minutes of the sald board. In witness whereof i bave hereunto said to hand and third the seal of Jaid Board on

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